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Title

AFCEIVE FEB 272003 TC 1700 CALIBRATED SCALE IN THE NANOMETER RANGE FOR

TECHNICAL DEVICES USED FOR THE HIGH-

RESOLUTION OR ULTRAHIGH-RESOLUTION IMAGING

OF STRUCTURES

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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action having mailing date of October 17, 2002, please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend without prejudice claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice amended) A scale for technical devices which are used for high-resolution or ultrahigh-resolution imaging of structures, the scale comprising:

a plurality of first material layers having a first thickness, the plurality of first material layers being one of crystalline and amorphous; and

a plurality of second material layers, the plurality of second material layers being one of crystalline and amorphous, which are distinguishable from the first material layers when imaged using high-resolution or ultrahigh-resolution imaging methods, the second material

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